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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 CFR 1.53(b) is:

- ☒ **a patent application**
- ☐ a Continuation ☐ a Divisional ☐ a Continuation-in-Part (CIP) Application of prior application no.: _____; filed _____, the disclosure of which is hereby incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.
- ☒ **and claims the benefit of Provisional Application No. 60/240,473; filed October 13, 2000.**

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Entitled: **DIVIDED PRESSURE VESSEL APPARATUS FOR CARBON DIOXIDE BASED SYSTEMS AND METHODS OF USING SAME**

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Enclosed are:

1. ☒ Application Transmittal Letter and Fee Transmittal Form (*A duplicate is enclosed for fee processing*)
2. ☒ **57** pages of Specification (including **101** claims)
3. ☒ **8** sheets of Formal Drawings (35 USC 113)
4. ☒ Oath or Declaration
 - a. ☒ newly executed (*original or copy*)
 - b. ☐ copy from prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d) (*for continuation/divisional*) [Note Box 5 Below]
 - c. ☐ **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)** (*Signed statement deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application*)
5. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76
6. ☐ Incorporation By Reference (*useable if box 4b is checked*)
The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated

by reference therein.

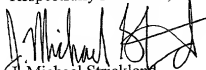
7. ☐ Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)
8. ☒ Assignment papers (cover sheet(s) and document(s))
9. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
10. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449, and _____ references cited
11. ☐ Preliminary Amendment (*Please enter all claim amendments prior to calculating the filing fee.*)
12. ☐ English Translation Document
13. ☐ Certified Copy of _____ Application No. _____ ; Filed
14. ☐ Sequence Listing/ Sequence Listing Diskette
- a. ☐ computer readable copy
- b. ☐ paper copy
- c. ☐ statement in support
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16. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (*Should be specifically itemized*)
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- a. ☒ Additional filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for presentation of extra claims.
- b. ☒ Additional patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

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